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COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone) **CONFIDENTIAL** REPORT NO

TOPIC Volkspolizei Dienststelle in Schwerin-Sternbuchholz 25X1A

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EVALUATION PLACE OBTAINED

DATE OF CONTENT prior to late February 1951

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REMARKS

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1. Under the reorganization program of the HVA, the Volkspolizei Dienststelle (VPD) in Schwerin-Sternbuchholz (M 54/T 46) was activated from the VP Bereitschaft previously stationed there. Personnel of the former VP Bereitschaft were transferred to Frenzlaue, Potsdam-Biche, Doebeln, and Loebau, while personnel from Priemer Wald, Gloewen, Eggesin, Doebeln and Frenzlaue arrived to form the new VPD.
2. The VPD was to have an authorized strength of 3,000 police. Prior to late February 1951, it was organized into a headquarters, 3 infantry Kommandos, 1 artillery Kommando, and 7 Sonderabteilungen. A fifth Kommando for the training of the new police recruits was being activated.
3. Officers of the VPD included:
 - VP Inspekteur Thiele (fnu), commanding officer, a friend of Generalinspekteur Heinz Hoffmann, of the HVA;
 - VP Oberrat Schramm, (fnu), PK officer, a graduate of the Moscow Central School;
 - VP Oberrat Schroeder, (fnu), chief of staff;
 - VP Kommandeur Brumm, (fnu), director of training;
 - VP Rat Jahn, (fnu), first assistant chief of staff;
 - VP Kommissar Mueller, (fnu), second assistant chief of staff;
 - VP Kommissar Priem, (fnu), adjutant;
 - VP Rat Steinhage, (fnu), interrogation officer;
 - VP Kommandeur Thiede, (fnu), administrative officer;
 - VP Kommissar Diehm, (fnu), personnel officer;
 - VP Oberrat Moeller, (fnu), SED secretary;
 - VP Oberkommissar Dominik, (fnu), liaison officer;
 - VP Oberkommissar Doehm, (fnu), liaison officer;
 - VP Kommissar Schulz, (fnu), motor transport officer;
 - VP Kommissar Roehlich, (fnu), chief of medical section;
 - VP Kommissar Muxfeld, (fnu), quartermaster clothing officer.
4. The unit was equipped with eight T-34 tanks, several armored reconnaissance cars, German and Soviet light and heavy AT guns, and infantry arms.
5. Beginning in January 1951, the personnel of the VPD have held joint field exercises with Soviet units. *

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[redacted] Comment. The report confirms previous information on the activation, organization, and personnel of the VPD in Schwerin-Sternbuchholz. [redacted]. The authorized strength of the VPD is believed to be about 2,400 rather than 3,000 police.

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